



LIFE-SAVING TECHNIQUE . . . Mrs. William Mowery of Torrance demonstrates resuscitation method on a Resusci-Anne, a life-like manikin used for demonstrating mouth-to-mouth artificial respiration. Mrs. Mowery is demonstration coordinator for Red Cross in Southern Los Angeles communities. Her husband, a Los Angeles fireman, is a certified Red Cross first aid instructor. Resusci-Anne demonstrations may be scheduled by calling the Red Cross.

United Crusade

\$3.3 Million Reported In Drive's First Week

United Crusade volunteers opened the 1968 drive for the largest goal in local history — \$28,200,000 — with contribution of \$3,304,801 reported at the Countywide Kickoff Thursday.

Actor James Stewart, five-time Academy Award nominee, Oscar winner and active participant in several United Crusade causes, spoke at the dinner meeting attended by more than 1,000 volunteers throughout Los Angeles County and adjoining areas.

Stewart stressed the importance of United Crusade in uniting the community into a network of services provided by the 244 agencies of United Way and the 12 chapters of the American Red Cross.

"THE CRUSADE is a tremendous expression of this community's concern for the underprivileged, for the sick and injured, for the handicapped and the lonely," Stewart said. "It's a tremen-

dous expression of love and compassion."

American Red Cross or the United Way can do the job and continue to offer the many services only if they have the funds with which to work, he emphasized. "So much depends on every doorbell we push," he said. "So much depends on each of us pushing just a little harder."

"The Young Saints," a group of singers, dancers and musicians from Watts

who have appeared on television and in a series of concerts throughout California, performed at the dinner show under the direction of Evelyn and Tommy Roberts.

HELP PROVIDED the seven million people living in greater Los Angeles through United Way agencies and American Red Cross chapters was detailed in a film presentation, "Services in the Circle of a

Day." Serving as guide on the tour of agencies and chapters was Mrs. Francis Lowry of Long Beach, who was United Crusade countywide residential chairman in 1966.

D. J. Houghton, 1968 United Crusade chairman and chairman of the board of Lockheed Aircraft Corp., presided at the countywide kickoff.

Houghton pointed out that the 1968 United Cru-

sade goal is a \$5,200,000 increase over 1967. "We now have a job to do," he said. "Our goal is to collect money. The reason we want the money is to take care of the people's needs. To build character in our young people. To heal wounds. To meet the needs of increased population."

"What we are talking about is asking one person to help another who needs help," Houghton concluded.

Support Grows For Transit Plan

Added to the growing list of organizations and individuals endorsing Proposition A for Rapid Transit on the Nov. 5 ballot are the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the County Democratic Central Committee.

Both groups expressed their intentions in resolutions adopted at meetings last week.

The resolutions stated that the proposed \$2.5 billion bond issue will finance an 89-mile, five-corridor, high-speed rail system, radiating out to the most heavily populated centers of the County.

They said the transit proposal is vital to solve Los Angeles' growing traffic congestion and smog problems.

The Supervisors' resolution was introduced by Supervisor Burton W. Chace, while Paul Posner, Democratic County Central Committee, announced the vote of his official party organization.

Posner declared that the measure is "critical" if Los Angeles is to expand employment opportunities for minority groups and prevent stagnation in the County.

The supervisors declared that any delay in the construction will add inflated costs in the amount of \$132 million a year to the final bill.

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UNDER 1-A, the statewide sales tax will be cut to the 4½ per cent level on July 1, 1969, if the amendment loses.

The residents of Los Angeles County will decide Nov. 5 whether to permit a one-half per cent sales tax later for rapid transit purposes. If approved, that tax would become effective April 1, 1969 when the special city tax ends.

Under present law, four cents of every taxable dollar goes to the state and one cent to the cities and counties.

Sales Tax Stays at 5 Per Cent

SACRAMENTO — Paul Leake, member of the State Board of Equalization, has confirmed that the state sales and use tax, twice scheduled to be cut this year, will continue at the 5 per cent rate, at least until July, 1969, in most of the state.

The city of Los Angeles will have an additional 1 per cent sales tax for six months. It became effective Oct. 1.

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Bids for Sea Unit Opened

An apparent low bid of \$136,500 has been turned in by Terecon Co. of Long Beach for construction of another unit of the Dominguez Gap sea barrier project in sections of Los Angeles, Carson, and Long Beach.

Supervisor Burton W. Chace said the offer was the lowest of four submitted to the County Flood Control District. The high bid ran \$174,380.

All bids will be checked by District engineers and the Board of Supervisors is expected to award a contract in about 10 days.

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